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FROM SHADOWS TO THE THRONE

The Journey to the Day of Judgement

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"So whoever does an atom's weight of good will see it,

and whoever does an atom's weight of evil will see it."

— Surah Az-Zalzalah (99:7-8)

Dedication

This book is dedicated to the Almighty Allah, the Creator of the heavens and the earth, whose guidance and mercy are the light that illuminates our path towards righteousness.

To the beloved Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), the final messenger, whose teachings serve as a timeless beacon for all of humanity, reminding us of the importance of faith, unity, and peace.

To my beloved parents and ancestors, whose sacrifices and devotion to the truth laid the foundation for my journey. May their legacy live on through every word of this work.

To the youth, may this book serve as a source of inspiration and a call to action, urging you to prepare for the Day of Judgment, seek knowledge, uphold justice, and stand united under the banner of Islam.

And to all Muslims, may this work inspire us to cast aside the divisions of sectarianism and instead focus on the unity that Allah intended for us as one Ummah. Let us come together in love, faith, and brotherhood, for only through unity can we truly uphold the values of Islam and fulfill our mission on this earth.

May this work be a reminder of the urgency of our mission and the path we must walk in this life.

Author's Preface

In a world where the future of humanity remains uncertain, the signs of the end times, as foretold in Islam, serve as a crucial guide for believers. This book, "From Shadows to the Throne: The Journey to the Day of Judgment," is a humble attempt to explore the profound events that will unfold as we approach the final moments of this world.

With deep reverence for the teachings of the Qur'an and Hadith, I aim to provide a comprehensive and accessible breakdown of the signs of the Day of Judgment, as well as the guidance we, as Muslims, must adhere to in preparation for that momentous day. This work is not just for scholars or religious leaders, but for all who seek to understand their purpose in this life and prepare for the inevitable.

As a Muslim who strives to live by the values of unity, peace, and justice, I hope this book encourages readers to reflect upon their actions, deepen their faith, and actively contribute to the unity of the Ummah. It is my belief that understanding the end times should not instill fear, but rather, inspire a renewed commitment to righteousness and steadfastness in our worship of Allah.

May this book serve as a tool for reflection, a call for unity, and a reminder that, in the end, the true test lies in how we live our lives in preparation for the Day of Judgment.

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To those who walk the path of faith with sincerity, striving for unity and understanding in a divided world this book is for you.

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Guided by a mission to eliminate sectarian divisions and restore the unity of Islam, Dawood believes that knowledge, faith, and leadership are the keys to transforming the future. From Shadows to the Throne: The Journey to the Day of Judgment is his first major contribution toward that vision.

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Lesson 1:

From Today's World to the Time of the Black Flags

1. The Current World and Its Challenges

The world we live in today is marked by conflict, division, and corruption, and these are signs that the end times are drawing near. There are global political, social, and economic shifts, along with a rise in immorality and loss of values.

The Spread of Corruption

The world is experiencing an increase in corruption, immorality, and social injustice. There is a rise in the power of the enemies of Islam, who seek to dominate the world through oppressive means. The Muslim Ummah is divided into sects, and there is lack of unity among Muslims, contrary to the vision of unity described in Islam.

Hadith — Sahih Muslim:

> "There will come a time upon my Ummah when nothing will remain of Islam except its name, and nothing will remain of the Qur'an except its writing. Their mosques will be full of people, but they will be empty of guidance."

The Decline of Religious Commitment

Materialism and secularism are prevalent, with many individuals neglecting their religious duties in favor of worldly pursuits. Immorality is widespread, and righteousness has become a rare quality in many parts of the world. As a result, there will be a general loss of faith in humanity and a deeper division between the righteous and the corrupt.

2. The Rise of Misguiding Leaders

Before the emergence of the Black Flags and the arrival of Imam Mahdi (AS), the world will witness a rise in corrupt and deceptive leadership. These leaders will claim to act in the interest of the people but will spread injustice, division, and confusion. They will manipulate religious teachings for personal or political gain, leading many away from the true path of Islam. Their influence will prepare the ground for greater trials ahead, including the emergence of false claimants and eventually, the Dajjal himself. However, at this stage, it is primarily the misguidance of rulers, scholars, and ideologues that weakens the Ummah and deepens the chaos.

Hadith:

> "There will come a time upon the people when they will take the wicked as leaders, and the best among them will be cursed, and the truthful will be considered liars."
> (Musnad Ahmad – Sahih chain)

"There will come upon people years of treachery, when the liar will be believed, the truthful will be disbelieved, the treacherous will be trusted, and the trustworthy will be considered treacherous; and the Ruwaybidah will speak."
The Sahabah asked, "Who are the Ruwaybidah?"
He replied, "The foolish person who speaks about public affairs."
(Sunan Ibn Majah 4036 – Hasan)

Qur'anic Verse:

"And do not incline toward those who do wrong, lest the Fire touch you, and you have no protectors besides Allah, and you will not be helped."
(Surah Hud 11:113)
"They have taken their scholars and monks as lords besides Allah…"
(Surah At-Tawbah 9:31)

Disunity and Sectarianism

Sectarian divisions (such as Shia-Sunni differences, and the rise of extremist ideologies) will continue to spread, deepening the rift within the Muslim community. These divisions will weaken the strength of the Muslim Ummah, making it more vulnerable to external threats.

Hadith — Sahih Bukhari:

> "The Hour will not come until the Muslims fight the Jews, and the Muslims will kill them, until the Jews hide behind rocks and trees, and the rocks and trees will say: 'O Muslim, there is a Jew behind me, come and kill him.'"

3. The Signs of the Black Flags' Arrival

The Black Flags are a major sign that the end times are imminent. Their appearance will mark the arrival of the final stage before the coming of Imam Mahdi (AS).

The Black Flags and the Army of Khorasan

The Black Flags are a sign that the army from Khorasan (present-day Afghanistan and parts of Iran) will rise to bring justice and restore righteousness. This army will be led by a group of people who will march under the Black Flags, and they will be instrumental in preparing the way for the arrival of Imam Mahdi (AS). Imam Mahdi (AS) himself will not be the leader of this army, but he will be connected to it, and it will play a crucial role in his rise.

Hadith — Sunan Ibn Majah:

> "When you see the Black Flags coming from the direction of Khurasan, go to them even if you have to crawl on snow, for indeed among them is the Caliph, the Mahdi."

The Black Flags symbolize the coming of justice and the defeat of tyranny. This army will fight to unite the Ummah and will play a significant role in the events that lead to the establishment of justice under the leadership of Imam Mahdi (AS).

The Role of the Black Flags

The army of Khorasan will fight for the truth, and its appearance is associated with the overthrow of oppressive rulers and the restoration of Islamic governance. The rise of the Black Flags marks a period of significant political and military movements that will ultimately culminate in the coming of Imam Mahdi (AS).

Hadith — Sunan Abu Dawood:

> "The Black Flags will come from the East, and they will bring peace to the world after fighting the unjust rulers."

4. The Time of the Black Flags

The time of the Black Flags will be marked by:

- A rise in political instability.
- The emergence of leaders who will unify the Muslim Ummah against oppression.
- The spread of justice and the eventual defeat of tyranny.

As the Black Flags appear, the world will see the reestablishment of the Islamic Caliphate, which will prepare the way for Imam Mahdi (AS).

5. The Significance of the Black Flags in Relation to Imam Mahdi (AS)

The Black Flags signify the imminent arrival of Imam Mahdi (AS), who will unite the Muslim Ummah and establish a just and righteous caliphate. Imam Mahdi (AS) will appear after the Black Flags have established the groundwork for his leadership, but he will be the one who leads the final battle and restores justice for all.

Hadith — Sunan Abu Dawood:

> "The Mahdi will appear when the people of the East have raised the Black Flags. He will rule for seven years."

6. The Path Leading to the Black Flags

We are living in a world that is increasingly marked by division, corruption, and moral decay. This is the time leading up to the arrival of the Black Flags, which will herald the rise of Imam Mahdi (AS) and the establishment of justice and peace. The Black Flags are a sign of the restoration of righteousness, where the oppressed will rise, and the unjust will be defeated.

Summary Points:

The current period is filled with corruption and disunity. The false leaders will rise before the Black Flags. The Black Flags will come from the region of Khorasan and will mark the unification of Muslims in the face of oppression. The Black Flags will eventually lead to the appearance of Imam Mahdi (AS) and the establishment of justice.

Lesson 2:

The Black Flags of Khorasan the Prelude to Imam Mahdi

1. What Are the Black Flags?

The Prophet Muhammad (SAW) said:

> "Black flags will come from the East, and nothing will stop them until they are planted in Jerusalem."
> (Tirmidhi, Ibn Majah, Musnad Ahmad)

These black flags symbolize a military movement of righteous Muslims. They emerge from Khorasan, an ancient region that includes parts of Iran, Afghanistan, and Central Asia. They are not Dajjal's army rather, they are the first visible force preparing for the arrival of Imam al-Mahdi.

2. The Meaning Behind the Black Flags

The color black was used by the Prophet (SAW) in his own battle banners (e.g. Battle of Khaybar). These black flags symbolize resistance against injustice, revival of Islamic power, and the fulfillment of divine prophecy.

3. The People of the Black Flags

Described in Hadith as "strong-hearted, brave, and guided". Some narrations say they will come in waves, facing battle after battle. Their leader will not be Imam Mahdi, but they will eventually pledge allegiance to him when he appears.

4. Where is Khorasan Today?

Khorasan historically includes: Western Afghanistan, Northeast Iran, Parts of Central Asia, Possibly Northern Pakistan

This is significant because this area today is full of conflict, injustice, and struggle. Home to many Islamic revival movements. The birthplace of many resistance fighters and scholars

5. What Will the Black Flags Do?

Fight corrupt rulers in the East and make their way toward Jerusalem. Defeat the armies of tyranny and prepare the land for Mahdi's rise. Eventually, pledge allegiance to Imam Mahdi in Makkah, near the Kaaba.

> "When you see the black flags coming from Khorasan, go to them even if you have to crawl over snow, for among them is the Caliph of Allah, the Mahdi."
> (Musnad Ahmad, Sahih chain by Ibn Kathir)

6. Modern Relevance

Many believe we are in the early stages of this prophecy due to:

- Constant warfare in Afghanistan, Syria, Iraq, etc.
- Rising Islamic awareness and resistance movements.
- Power struggles between East and West.
- The collapse of corrupt Muslim regimes.

However, we must not falsely identify any modern group as this Black Flag army unless it matches the characteristics described by Rasulullah (SAW):

- Guided, righteous, defenders of truth
- Not extremists or political pawns

7. What Should We Do as Believers?

Prepare ourselves spiritually and mentally to support truth and justice. Strengthen our relationship with the Qur'an and Sunnah. Be aware that the time is near and make du'a for guidance to be among the supporters of Mahdi. Avoid supporting false claimants or groups who deviate from Islamic principles.

Lesson 3:

The Emergence of Imam Mahdi the Awaited Leader

1. Who is Imam al-Mahdi?

Name: Muhammad ibn Abdullah

Title: Al-Mahdi (The Guided One)

Lineage: Descendant of Fatimah (RA) daughter of Prophet Muhammad (SAW)

Hadith (Abu Dawud, Tirmidhi):

> "The Mahdi will be from my family, from the descendants of Fatimah."

He will not be a prophet, but a divinely guided reformer. He will unite the Muslim Ummah, establish justice, and prepare the world for the return of Isa (AS).

2. Description of Imam Mahdi

His name will be Muhammad, and his father's name will be Abdullah same as the Prophet (SAW). His appearance will resemble the Prophet (SAW) in character, not in looks. He will be a normal man, unaware of his own destiny, until Allah guides him suddenly.

3. Signs Before His Appearance

Widespread oppression and injustice in the world. Leadership crisis among Muslims. Natural disasters, economic collapse, and social corruption. Civil wars and sectarianism. People will long for a true leader who can unite them

4. Where Will He Appear?

He will emerge from Makkah, near the Kaaba. People will discover him while he is hiding, unwilling to take leadership. A group of righteous Muslims will force him to accept the Bay'ah (pledge of allegiance) between Maqam Ibrahim and the Kaaba.

Hadith (Ibn Majah, Mustadrak al-Hakim):

> "The Mahdi will appear while the people are disputing over leadership. Then a group from the East will come with black flag and they will pledge allegiance to him."

5. Opposition to Mahdi

A tyrant ruler in Syria (often identified as Sufyani) will send an army to attack Mahdi. That army will be swallowed by the earth in the desert of Bayda, between Makkah and Madinah. This miraculous event will convince many that Mahdi is the true leader.

6. His Leadership and Battles

Imam Mahdi will lead the Ummah into a time of justice, unity, and revival. He will end sectarianism and nationalism, Redistribute wealth fairly, Establish the Khilafah upon Prophetic methodology. He will lead multiple wars: The war against Sufyani. The great Malhama (Armageddon) against Romans/Europeans. The reconquest of Constantinople (Istanbul).

7. His Rule and Timeframe

He will rule for 7 to 9 years, some say possibly up to 14 years.

During his time:

The earth will give blessings: abundant rain, food, and peace. Justice will be established after global tyranny. He will prepare the Ummah for the arrival of Isa (AS).

8. Modern Relevance

Many scholars and signs suggest the Mahdi may appear soon, due to:

Breakdown of leadership in the Muslim world. Rise of oppression, disbelief, and fitnah. Collapse of global powers. Rebirth of Islamic consciousness among youth. Widespread calls for Islamic unity. But remember no one knows the exact time, and false Mahdis have appeared before. We must be cautious and only accept him when his signs are clearly fulfilled.

9. Our Role as Believers

Prepare our hearts for his arrival. Educate ourselves and others about true Islamic teachings. Avoid divisions and sectarianism , Mahdi's mission is to unite. Make du'a to be among his supporters:

"O Allah, make us of those who recognize and follow the Mahdi."

Lesson 4:

Imam Mahdi's Wars Sufyani Malhama Constantinople

1. Introduction

Once Imam al-Mahdi appears and the Ummah pledges allegiance to him, he will not enjoy peace immediately. His leadership will be challenged by tyrants and global powers, leading to some of the most intense wars in human history.

These wars will pave the way for the arrival of Isa (AS) and the final battle with Dajjal.

Part 1: War with the Sufyani

Who is the Sufyani?

A tyrannical leader from the lineage of Abu Sufyan, rising from Syria (Sham). Described in hadith as a bloodthirsty, unjust ruler who slaughters innocents and fights against Mahdi.

Hadith (Nu'aym ibn Hammad – Kitab al-Fitan):

> "A man from the children of Abu Sufyan will come from the direction of Damascus. He will have a loud voice and rule harshly…"

His Attack on Imam Mahdi

When Mahdi is recognized in Makkah, the Sufyani sends an army to capture or kill him. On the way, that army reaches the desert of Bayda (between Makkah and Madinah).

Hadith (Sahih Muslim):

> "An army will march to attack a man who seeks refuge in the Kaaba… but they will be swallowed by the earth at Bayda."

This miraculous event will be a major sign of truth, and many will then believe in Mahdi.

Part 2: The Malhama al-Kubra

What is the Malhama?

Referred to in hadith as the "Great Slaughter" or "Armageddon". A massive battle between Muslims and Romans (Christian powers of the West). It will occur in the region of Greater Syria (Sham).

Hadith (Sahih Muslim):

> "You will make peace with the Romans, and then you will fight a common enemy together… Then treachery will occur, and the Romans will come against you under 80 flags, each flag with 12,000 soldiers."

That totals to 960,000 soldiers or more indicating a world war.

Sequence of Events

1. Muslims and Christians unite against a common enemy (possibly a third superpower or extreme group).
2. After victory, a Christian army claims the win was due to the cross.
3. A Muslim responds: "No, Allah gave us victory" war breaks out.
4. The Malhama begins a bloody, long-lasting war.

Conditions During the Malhama

- 1/3 of Muslims will flee (cowards not forgiven by Allah).
- 1/3 will be martyred.
- 1/3 will be victorious and go on to conquer Constantinople.

Hadith (Muslim):

> "One third will be killed, one third will flee, and one third will conquer."

Part 3: The Conquest of Constantinople

Why Constantinople (Istanbul)?

Although under Muslim control since 1453, the real prophecy refers to a spiritual reconquest possibly after it falls to secular or anti-Islamic forces again. No weapons will be used.

Hadith (Muslim, Ahmad):

> "You will conquer Constantinople with Tasbeeh (La ilaha illallah, Allahu Akbar)… and the gates will open."

It will be a miraculous victory, followed immediately by news that Dajjal has appeared.

Modern Relevance

The collapse of the Western alliance and global instability seem to be setting the stage for Malhama. Russia, Europe, NATO, and the Middle East are already aligning into potential future camps. Constantinople (Istanbul) has become increasingly significant in modern geopolitics and Islamic awakening.

Spiritual Preparation

Learn to stand for truth even when alone just like the 1/3 who stay firm in Malhama. Strengthen our iman, patience, and dhikr because these are the real weapons of the believers. Raise awareness about true Islamic leadership and not fall for political puppets.

Lesson 5:

The Rise of Dajjal the Global Deceiver

1. Who is Dajjal?

Name: Al-Masih ad-Dajjal (The False Messiah)

Meaning: "Dajjal" comes from "dajala" to lie, to cover truth

Role: The greatest trial humanity will ever face

Prophet Muhammad (SAW) said:

> "There is no trial from the creation of Adam until the Day of Judgment greater than the trial of the Dajjal."
> (Sahih Muslim)

2. Physical Description

One-eyed: Right eye is damaged, like a floating grape. Between his eyes is written: "Kafir" (كفر) every believer can read it. Short, stout, with curly hair

Will claim to be:

A righteous leader, then a prophet, then eventually God himself.

Hadith (Bukhari & Muslim):

> "He is blind in one eye. Your Lord is not blind. You will recognize him on his forehead is written 'Kafir'."

3. Where Will Dajjal Emerge?

From the East, specifically from a land called Khurasan (Iran-Afghanistan area). He will first appear in Isfahan, Iran, followed by a rise from between Iraq and Syria.

Hadith (Ahmad, Tirmidhi):

> "Dajjal will emerge from the land of the East, called Khurasan…"

4. His Followers

70,000 Jews of Isfahan will follow him, wearing robes. Hypocrites, materialists, and those with weak faith will flock to him.

He will deceive the masses using: Illusions, Control of resources, Advanced technology (possibly AI, holograms, etc.).

5.Dajjal's Supernatural Powers

This is what makes him so dangerous. He will have a Jannah and Jahannam but they are reversed. His hell is paradise, and his paradise is hell. He will control weather, rain, and food supplies. He will bring the dead (illusion) to life. He will travel the world like wind, on a flying beast, possibly symbolic of ultra-fast modern travel. He will command mountains of bread, bringing famine to those who reject him.

Hadith (Muslim):

> "He will command the sky to rain and the earth to grow… he will appear as if giving life to the dead…"

6. His Mission

To trick the world into worshipping him as God. He will establish a fake utopia, enslaving the masses through fear, hunger, and deception. He will try to enter Makkah and Madinah, but angels will guard the cities and prevent his entry.

7. The Believers' Response

The Prophet (SAW) taught duas and protection against Dajjal in almost every major prayer.

Daily Protection Dua (recite in every Salah):

> "O Allah, I seek Your protection from the torment of Hell, the punishment of the grave, the trials of life and death, and the trial of the false messiah."
> (Sahih Muslim)

Surah Al-Kahf (18):

First 10 verses and last 10 verses are protection from his deception.

8. Duration of Dajjal's Rule

40 days total:

- 1 day = 1 year
- 1 day = 1 month
- 1 day = 1 week
- The rest = normal days

Hadith (Muslim):

> "He will stay for 40 days. One day like a year, one like a month, one like a week, and the rest like your regular days."
> This could mean his influence will last years, though physically he will appear for a shorter time.

9. The Martyr Who Challenges Dajjal

A young believer will stand up to Dajjal. Dajjal will kill him, then appear to bring him back to life. The boy will say:

> "Now I am certain you are the false Dajjal!"
> And will die a true martyr.

Hadith (Muslim):

> "He will bring a man forward cut him in two, then call him back to life… the man will say: I am more sure now than before."

10. Dajjal's End is Near When?

The believers are under siege by Dajjal in Bayt al-Maqdis (Jerusalem). Then, at the most desperate moment, Isa (AS) will descend.

Modern Relevance

Mass deception through media, politics, and entertainment**.** Rise of false prophets, atheism, and material worship**.** Global push for a new world order one leader, one system**.** AI and technology that can imitate life and miracles. We may be seeing the early shadows of Dajjal's system today but not Dajjal himself yet.

What Should We Do Now?

Recite Surah Kahf weekly (every Friday). Memorize and repeat the duas for protection from Dajjal. Avoid blindly following trends, media, or power always question what seems too good. Strengthen your faith, knowledge, and connection to Allah.

Lesson 6:

The Return of Isa the True Messiah

1. Who is Isa (AS)?

Also known as Jesus, the son of Mary (Maryam AS). One of the five mightiest messengers of Allah. Born miraculously, without a father. Raised to the heavens alive he was not crucified

Qur'an — Surah An-Nisa (4:157-158):

> "They did not kill him, nor crucify him, but it appeared so to them… Allah raised him up to Himself."

2. Why Will Isa (AS) Return?

- To kill Dajjal, the false messiah who falsely claims divinity
- To clear his name from false beliefs (e.g., being son of God, crucifixion, etc.)
- To restore justice and rule the world under Islamic law
- To unite all true believers under the banner of Tawheed

3. How and Where Will He Descend?

Hadith (Sahih Muslim):

> "Isa ibn Maryam will descend among you on the white minaret in the east of Damascus, wearing two garments lightly dyed with saffron, placing his hands on the wings of two angels."

He will descend during Fajr (dawn prayer). Near the white minaret of the Umayyad Mosque in Damascus, Syria. Imam al-Mahdi will be leading the Salah, and offer Isa (AS) to lead but Isa (AS) will say:

> "The iqamah was called for you, so lead the prayer."

This shows Isa (AS) is not coming as a new Prophet, but as a follower of Muhammad (SAW) he will revive Prophetic Islam, not start a new religion.

4. The Death of Dajjal

After descending, Isa (AS) will join the army of Imam Mahdi. Dajjal will be spreading chaos and war. When Dajjal sees Isa (AS), he will start to melt, like salt in water.

Hadith (Muslim):

> "When the enemy of Allah (Dajjal) sees him, he will begin to dissolve like salt in water…"

Isa (AS) will chase him to the gates of Ludd (in modern-day Palestine/Israel) and strike him down with a spear.

5. The Emergence of Yajuj and Majuj (Gog and Magog)

Shortly after the death of Dajjal, a new chaos will rise — the arrival of Yajuj and Majuj, two corrupt human tribes trapped behind a divine barrier for centuries. They will finally break free and descend rapidly.

They will drink entire rivers (Lake Tiberias), Destroy everything in their path, Be so numerous that no army can stop them.

6. Isa's Du'a & Their Destruction

Isa (AS) and his followers will retreat to a mountain (some say Mount Sinai). They will be so desperate that the head of an ox will be dearer than gold. Sending a disease (worms in the necks) that kills Yajuj & Majuj overnight. Then, Allah will send huge birds to carry their corpses away.

7. The Peaceful Golden Era

> After the destruction of Yajuj and Majuj. Rain will fall, the earth will be green again. Wealth, peace, and blessings will increase. The world will return to righteousness under Isa's leadership.

8. How Long Will Isa (AS) Live After Return?

Isa (AS) will live for 40 years after his descent. He will marry and have children (no authentic names mentioned). He will die a natural death. He will be buried in Madinah, beside Prophet Muhammad (SAW), Abu Bakr (RA), and Umar (RA).

9. After Isa (AS): The Calm Before the Final Signs

After his death, peace will continue for a while, but fitnah will begin to return, leading to the final irreversible signs. Dabbat-ul-Ard (the Beast), Sun rising from the west, Three major landslides, Smoke, The Trumpet (blown by Israfeel AS).

Modern Relevance

Christians are opening to Islam, seeking the truth about Isa (AS). The world is preparing — politically and spiritually — for global change. Believers must stay connected to the Qur'an and Sunnah to survive what's coming.

Lesson 7:

Final Signs Before Qiyamah

1. The Beast of the Earth (Dābbatul-Arḍ)

What is it?

A strange creature will emerge from the Earth and will speak to people and mark them based on their belief true or false.

Qur'an — Surah An-Naml (27:82):

> "And when the Word befalls them, We will bring forth for them a creature from the Earth who will speak to them, because the people did not believe in Our signs."
> [Surah An-Naml 27:82]

Hadith — Ibn Majah (Hadith 4067):

> "The Beast will emerge and will mark people on their noses. Then the people will mix, and the believer will be known from the disbeliever…"

Its Mission

Mark people forever as Mu'min (believer) or Kafir (disbeliever). It will seal their fate no repentance accepted after this. Some scholars say it will carry the Staff of Musa (AS) and the Ring of Sulaiman (AS)

Note: Its exact form is unknown. Descriptions include it being part animal, part machine, or even symbolic of technology but Allah knows best.

2. The Sun Rising from the West

The Most Terrifying Sign

One day, the sun will rise from the west instead of the east. When this happens, all doors of repentance will close. Everyone alive will believe, but it will be too late to accept Islam.

Qur'an — Surah Al-An'am (6:158):

> "On the Day some of the signs of your Lord will come, no soul will benefit from its belief unless it believed before or had earned good through its faith…"
> [Surah Al-An'am 6:158]

Hadith — Sahih Muslim (118):

> "The Hour will not begin until the sun rises from the west. When it rises and people see it, they will all believe. But that is when faith will not benefit one who did not believe before."

Scientific Possibility?

While miraculous, some suggest it could be due to a pole shift or reversal of Earth's rotation but these are theories. Ultimately, it is a divine event that no human science can predict or prevent.

3. The Smoke (Ad-Dukhān)

A thick smoke will cover the Earth, choking people and causing suffering for 40 days.

Qur'an — Surah Ad-Dukhan (44:10–11):

> "Then watch for the Day when the sky will bring a visible smoke, enveloping the people; this will be a painful torment."
> [Surah Ad-Dukhan 44:10–11]

Hadith — Sahih Muslim (2901):

> "The Hour will not come until you see ten signs…"
> (One of them was "the smoke")

Effects:

Will affect both believers and disbelievers. Believers will feel like they have a cold. Disbelievers will choke and suffer intensely.

4. The Three Major Earthquakes (Landslides)

Hadith — Sahih Muslim (2901):

> "The Hour will not come until you see ten signs… among them: three landslides one in the east, one in the west, and one in the Arabian Peninsula."

These will be massive, global-level earthquakes. The Earth will swallow entire regions, cities, and populations

Possibly symbolic of:

Tectonic disasters, nuclear destruction, or divine punishment. Each quake will shake entire civilizations, warning of the final collapse of the world.

Timeline of These Signs (Likely Order)

Event	Source	Relevance
The Beast	Surah An-Naml 27:82 / Ibn Majah 4067	Final chance to know truth
Sun Rising from West	Surah Al-An'am 6:158 / Muslim 118	No repentance afterward
Smoke	Surah Ad-Dukhan 44:10-11 / Muslim 2901	Painful punishment
3 Landslides	Sahih Muslim 2901	Worldwide destruction

Note: These signs may overlap or follow closely, but once they begin, there will be no return to normal life.

What Happens to Believers?

Hadith — Sahih Muslim (2950):

> "A wind will come and take the soul of every believer gently, like silk. Only the worst of people will remain."

After these signs, no true believer will remain alive. The Qur'an will be lifted from the hearts, and even from physical books not a single verse will remain. The world will become a place of ignorance, evil, and disbelief.

Spiritual Takeaway

These signs teach us:

Don't delay repentance it may close forever at any time. Prepare your soul now, because after the signs begin, it will be too late. Strengthen your knowledge, dhikr, and faith, so you recognize truth when the world is full of deception.

Lesson 8:

The Final Hour and Resurrection

1. A Massive Fire from Yemen

Before the actual Qiyamah begins, one final sign will gather all of humanity for the end:

Hadith — Sahih Muslim (2901):

> "The last of the ten signs: A fire will emerge from Yemen and drive the people to their final gathering place."

Details:

A huge fire will erupt from Yemen or the Arabian Peninsula. It will force everyone northwards, toward Shaam (Greater Syria / possibly Arafat or the Mahshar Gathering Place). This fire will not let anyone hide it will move with people, resting when they rest, and moving when they move. This is not symbolic it's a real event, as described in multiple hadiths.

2. Israfeel (AS) and the Blowing of the Trumpet (As-Ṣūr)

The Trumpet (As-Ṣūr)

Israfeel (AS) is the angel who has been holding the Trumpet, waiting for Allah's command. When Allah commands, he will blow it twice

First Blowing — As-Saakhkhah (The Stunning Blast)

Qur'an — Surah Ya-Sin (36:51):

> "And the Trumpet will be blown, and behold! From the graves they will come out quickly to their Lord."

Qur'an — Surah Az-Zumar (39:68):

> "And the Trumpet will be blown, and all who are in the heavens and earth will fall dead, except whom Allah wills."

Result:

Every living thing dies humans, jinn, animals, angels everything. Even Israfeel, Jibreel, Mikael, and the Angel of Death (Malak al-Mawt) will die. Then only Allah will remain, and He will say:

Hadith — Sahih Bukhari:

> "To whom belongs the Kingdom today?"
> Allah Himself will answer: 'To Allah, the One, the Irresistible!'

3. The Earth Destroyed

Qur'an — Surah Al-Zalzalah (99:1–2):

> "When the Earth is shaken with its [final] earthquake. And the Earth throws out its burdens…"

- Mountains will fly like cotton
- Oceans will boil
- Skies will crack open
- Stars will fall
- Everything will be leveled

Qur'an — Surah Al-Takwir, Al-Infitar, Al-Inshiqaq are filled with these apocalyptic visuals

4. Second Blowing — Resurrection (Al-Ba'th)

After a long period (only Allah knows how long), Israfeel will be brought back to life, and he will blow the Trumpet a second time.

Qur'an — Surah Az-Zumar (39:68):

> "…Then it will be blown again, and behold! They will be standing, looking on."

Effects:

Every human being from Adam (AS) to the last person born will rise from their graves**.** They will rise naked, barefoot, uncircumcised, and in a state of fear and shock

Hadith — Sahih Bukhari (6526):

> Aisha (RA) asked: "Will men and women be together, looking at each other?"
> The Prophet (SAW) replied: "The situation will be too serious for that."

5. Gathering at the Mahshar (Place of Assembly)

The entire creation will gather on a vast, flat land. The sun will be brought extremely close just above the heads. People will sweat according to their deeds some drowning in their own sweat.

Hadith — Sahih Muslim:

> "The sun will be brought near and people will sweat according to their deeds…"

The earth will be flat and white, like silver, with no landmarks, no trees, no shade only your deeds and Allah's mercy

6. People Under Allah's Shade

While all people suffer under the sun, 7 categories will be under the Arsh (Throne) of Allah:

1. A just ruler
2. Youth raised in the worship of Allah
3. Person whose heart is attached to the masjid
4. Two who love each other for Allah's sake
5. A person who resists temptation for Allah's sake
6. One who gives charity in secret
7. One who remembers Allah privately and sheds tears

Hadith — Sahih Bukhari & Muslim

7. Waiting for Judgment Begins

The people will wait for 50,000 years, yet it will feel like a moment for the righteous, and like eternity for the disbelievers

They will go to:

- Adam (AS) → Nuh (AS) → Ibrahim (AS) → Musa (AS) → Isa (AS) — each saying: "I cannot help you"
- Until finally they go to Muhammad (SAW), who will say: "I am for it!"

He will intercede and fall into Sajdah before Allah

This is called: Al-Maqam al-Mahmood — The Praised Position

Mentioned in the Qur'an — Surah Al-Isra (17:79)

Spiritual Lessons

This dunya will end no matter how powerful or rich a person is. Only your deeds will matter not wealth, status, or tribe. Prepare for that moment of resurrection, by living today with faith, justice, and sincerity. The Day of Judgment will be terrifying but Allah's mercy is greater than His wrath.

Lesson 9:

The Day of Judgment and Final Destinations

1. Presentation of Records (Scrolls of Deeds)

Each person will be handed their Book of Deeds it contains everything, from your first breath to your last.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Kahf (18:49):

> "And the record [of deeds] will be placed, and you will see the criminals fearful of what is in it… They will say, 'Woe to us! What is this book that leaves nothing small or great except it has recorded it?'"

Right hand: For the righteous (success). Left hand or from behind the back: For the wicked (destruction).

Qur'an — Surah Al-Haqqah (69:19–32)

2. Mizan (The Scale)

Deeds will be weighed but not by number, by weight and sincerity. Even the smallest action, if sincere, can outweigh mountains.

Qur'an — Surah Al-A'raf (7:8–9):

> "The weighing on that Day will be the truth. So those whose scales are heavy it is they who will be the successful."

Hadith — Sahih Bukhari & Muslim:

> "A man will be brought with 99 scrolls of sins… Then a card with 'La ilaha illallah' will be brought and it will outweigh them all."

3. The Sirat (Bridge over Hell)

A bridge thinner than a hair and sharper than a sword. Stretches over Jahannam. Everyone must cross it even prophets.

Qur'an — Surah Maryam (19:71–72):

> "And there is none among you except that he will come to it. This is upon your Lord an inevitability decreed."

Hadith — Sahih Muslim:

> "People will pass over the Sirat some like lightning, some like wind, some crawling, and some falling into Hell beneath it…"

4. Intercession (Shafa'ah) by the Prophet Muhammad (SAW)

After everyone is judged, Rasulullah (SAW) will be allowed to intercede for:

Sinners from his Ummah. People with even an atom's weight of faith. Those punished in Hell but deserving of Allah's mercy.

Hadith — Sahih Bukhari:

> "My intercession is for those among my Ummah who committed major sins."

This is one of the greatest honors of our Prophet (SAW).

5. The Hawd al-Kawthar (Fountain of Abundance)

The Prophet (SAW) will have a fountain larger than the distance between Madinah and Sana'a. Whoever drinks from it once will never feel thirst again. Some people will be pushed away they innovated or abandoned the Sunnah.

Hadith — Sahih Muslim:

> "They are my followers!"
> Angels will say: "You do not know what they changed after you."

6. Final Judgment and Divine Justice

Every oppressed person will get their right. Even animals will be judged the hornless goat will get justice from the horned one. After justice is done, animals will be turned to dust.

Qur'an — Surah An-Naba (78:40):

> "The disbeliever will say: 'Woe to me! I wish I were dust!'"

7. Jahannam (Hellfire)

Seven levels, each worse than the other

Punishments include:

Fire, boiling water, scalding winds, Snakes, scorpions, and iron chains. The worst punishment is being veiled from Allah.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Mutaffifin (83:15):

"Nay! Surely they (the disbelievers) will be veiled from their Lord that Day."

Some Muslims will enter Hell due to sins but they may eventually be taken out through Allah's mercy or intercession

8. Jannah (Paradise)

Gardens under which rivers flow. Eternal youth, peace, and pleasure. Mansions, silk garments, fruits, reunions with family. The highest reward is to see Allah's Face

Qur'an — Surah Yunus (10:26):

"For those who do good is the best reward and even more."
"More" is interpreted by the Prophet (SAW) as seeing Allah's Face.

9. Allah's Mercy Above All

No one enters Jannah by deeds alone only through Allah's Mercy

Hadith — Sahih Bukhari:

"No one's deeds will enter them into Paradise."
"Not even you, O Messenger of Allah?"
"Not even me unless Allah covers me with His mercy."

Spiritual Takeaways

Every small act counts even a smile or a drop of water in charity. You may forget your sins, but Allah does not so repent often. Be among those who receive the Prophet's intercession, not those who are turned away. Never despair Allah's mercy is vast, and He loves to forgive

Lesson 10:

Jannah and Jahannam Explained

1. Jannah (Paradise)

Jannah is the eternal abode of bliss and reward for those who are faithful, righteous, and obedient to Allah.

Levels of Jannah

Jannah has multiple levels the highest level being Al-Firdaus, where the Prophet Muhammad (SAW) resides. People will enter Jannah according to their deeds, but all believers will eventually enter it through Allah's mercy.

Hadith — Sahih Bukhari:

> "When you ask Allah, ask Him for Al-Firdaus, for it is the best and highest place in Paradise."

Description of Jannah

Gardens of Paradise: Rivers flow beneath the trees, which are filled with fruits and shade. The people in Jannah will be given beautiful clothes made of silk and gold, and they will be adorned with jewels and pearls. Reunions with loved ones: Families will be reunited, and they will enjoy eternal joy together. Physical and spiritual perfection: There will be no illness, fatigue, or death, and every desire will be fulfilled.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Insan (76:13–14):

> "They will be reclining on green cushions and beautiful carpets."

Eternal Pleasure in Jannah

The pleasures of Jannah are beyond imagination and are not comparable to the temporary delights of this world. The ultimate joy in Jannah is the sight of Allah, which will be the most beautiful and rewarding experience.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Qiyamah (75:22–23):

> "Some faces, that Day, will be radiant, looking at their Lord."

The Foods, Drinks, and Companions

- Fruits: The people of Jannah will enjoy fruits of all kinds that are not limited by seasons.
- Rivers: There will be rivers of milk, honey, and wine that do not intoxicate, along with the river of water.
- Companions: Pure, beautiful spouses (Hoor al-Ayn) will be provided, and the companions of Jannah will be of the highest moral character.

- Peace and Contentment: No hatred, jealousy, or bitterness. Only love and peace.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Dahr (76:12–14):

> "And We will reward them for what they patiently endured with a garden [in Paradise] and silk [garments], reclining upon cushions, and there they will not see any sun or freezing cold."

2. Jahannam (Hellfire)

Jahannam is the eternal abode of punishment for those who disbelieved in Allah, rejected His guidance, and committed evil.

Levels of Jahannam

Jahannam also has multiple levels, with the worst punishments reserved for those who disbelieved and rejected Allah's message. The lowest level is for the hypocrites (Munafiqun) and the worst of disbelievers.

Qur'an — Surah At-Tawbah (9:68):

> "Indeed, Allah has cursed the disbelievers and prepared for them a Blaze. Abiding therein forever…"

Description of Jahannam

Fire: The fire of Jahannam is seventy times hotter than the fire of this world. Boiling water and scalding winds will burn and torment the people. Chains, shackles, and thorns will restrain the inhabitants. Poisonous plants will be the food, and they will cause unbearable pain.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Mulk (67:6–7):

> "Indeed, those who disbelieve in their Lord will have the punishment of Hell, and it is evil as a destination. When they are thrown into it, they hear from it a boiling, raging sound."

The Eternity of Punishment

The punishment in Jahannam is eternal for the disbelievers and hypocrites. Muslims who have sinned may be punished, but they will eventually be removed from Hell by Allah's mercy and intercession, and they will be allowed to enter Jannah.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Furqan (25:65–66):

> "And those who say, 'Our Lord, avert from us the punishment of Hell. Indeed, its punishment is ever adhering. Indeed, it is evil as a settlement and residence."

The Worst Punishment

The worst punishment in Hell will be the separation from Allah's mercy, and the inhabitants will never see Allah's Face.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Mutaffifin (83:15):

> "No! Indeed, they will be veiled from their Lord that Day."

The disbelievers will wish for eternal death, as their suffering will be so intense.

3. Final Justice and Mercy of Allah

- Everyone will receive justice: The oppressed will be compensated, and even the animals will be given justice.
- The good deeds will be multiplied, and bad deeds will be weighed in terms of their intention and sincerity.
- Ultimately, Allah's mercy will prevail. He is the Most Merciful, and He will forgive those who repent and turn to Him with sincerity.

Qur'an — Surah Az-Zumar (39:53):

> "Say, 'O My servants who have harmed yourselves by your own actions, do not despair of Allah's mercy. Allah forgives all sins; He is truly the Most Forgiving, the Most Merciful.'"

Spiritual Lessons

Live with purpose: Jannah and Jahannam are real. Your actions in this world will determine your eternity. Repent and seek Allah's forgiveness. No sin is too great for Allah's mercy. Strive for Jannah with sincerity, prayer, and good deeds. Don't focus solely on worldly achievements. Be mindful of your intentions: Even small acts like a smile or giving charity will count on the Day of Judgment. Thank Allah for His mercy and pray to be among those who enter Jannah.

Lesson 11:

Eternal Bliss and Torment

1. The Eternity in Jannah (Paradise)

Once a believer enters Jannah, their existence becomes a life of eternal peace, joy, and bliss, with no end in sight.

The Eternal Peace of Jannah

The people of Jannah will never experience sadness, pain, or fear again. They will enjoy perpetual youth, perfect health, and unending pleasures. Every desire will be fulfilled, and their hearts will be content forever.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Furqan (25:15–16):

> "Say, 'Is it other than Allah that you desire as a god? While He is the best of creators. The Day that they will see the angels, no glad tidings will there be for the criminals that Day."

The best reward in Jannah, as mentioned earlier, is to see the face of Allah.

Hadith — Sahih Bukhari:

> "When the people of Paradise have entered Paradise and the people of the Hellfire have entered Hell, Allah will say, 'Do you wish for anything more?' They will say, 'Have You not brightened our faces? Have You not admitted us to Paradise? Have You not saved us from Hellfire?'"
> Allah will reply: "This is My mercy upon you, and I will give you something better than that."
> When they look, they will see the Face of Allah.

The Eternal Delights in Jannah

Physical pleasures in Jannah include gardens with trees bearing eternal fruits, rivers of milk, honey, and pure water, and palaces made of gold and pearls. Spiritual bliss: The inhabitants will be in constant communion with Allah, hearing His words and being in His presence. The people of Jannah will live without any suffering, fatigue, or end. Every soul will feel an everlasting happiness that exceeds anything they've ever known.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Dukhan (44:51–56):

> "Indeed, the righteous will be in a secure place. Within gardens and springs, wearing fine silk and brocade, facing each other."

Reunions with Loved Ones

In Jannah, people will be reunited with their families and friends, as long as they were believers. The joy of being with loved ones, especially in the absence of suffering, will be immeasurable. If someone's loved ones are not initially there, they will be granted a place in Jannah by Allah's mercy.

Qur'an — Surah Ar-Ra'd (13:23–24):

> "The ones who believe and whose descendants follow them in faith – We will join their descendants with them, and We will not deprive them of anything of their deeds."

2. The Eternity in Jahannam (Hellfire)

Jahannam is an eternal abode for those who rejected faith, disobeyed Allah, and committed evil acts without repentance.

The Eternal Torment of Jahannam

The people of Jahannam will be punished eternally, with never-ending suffering. They will experience unimaginable pain, including fire that burns but does not consume, boiling water, and scalding winds. There will be no relief, as the inhabitants will beg for death but will never receive it.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Mulk (67:6–7):

> "Indeed, those who disbelieve in their Lord will have the punishment of Hell, and it is evil as a destination. When they are thrown into it, they hear from it a boiling, raging sound."

The Worst Punishment — Being Veiled from Allah

The most unbearable torment in Jahannam will be the loss of Allah's mercy. The inhabitants will be veiled from seeing Allah's face, which is the ultimate reward for the believers. They will have no chance for repentance, and the doors of mercy will be shut forever.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Mutaffifin (83:15):

> "No! Indeed, they will be veiled from their Lord that Day."

Despair and Regret in Jahannam

Regret will be a constant companion for the people of Hell. They will wish they had believed in Allah and followed His commands. Despair will set in when they realize that their punishment is eternal and that there is no escape.

Qur'an — Surah Al-Furqan (25:27–29):

> "And the Day the wrongdoer will bite his hands and say, 'Oh, I wish I had taken a way with the Messenger. Oh, woe to me! I wish I had not taken that one as a friend!'"

3. The Intermediary Stage

Some Muslims who commit major sins but still have faith will initially be sent to Jahannam for punishment. After their punishment is complete, or by the mercy of Allah or the intercession of the Prophet Muhammad (SAW), they will be taken out and enter Jannah. Shafa'ah (intercession) will play a crucial role here, especially by the Prophet Muhammad (SAW), and then by other prophets, angels, and the righteous.

Hadith — Sahih Muslim:

> "My intercession will be for those among my Ummah who have committed major sins."

4. The End of the Eternal Journey

For the believers in Jannah, their lives will be an eternal pleasure and closeness to Allah. For the disbelievers and hypocrites in Jahannam, their lives will be an eternal punishment and separation from Allah's mercy. Jannah and Jahannam are both eternal and will never cease. The inhabitants will experience their final destiny, with no changes or transitions.

Qur'an — Surah Az-Zumar (39:73):

> "And those who feared their Lord will be driven to Paradise in groups until, when they reach it, its gates will be opened, and its keepers will say, 'Peace be upon you for what you patiently endured. And excellent is the final home.'"

Conclusion:

Life after death is a reality that all of us must prepare for. Our eternal destination is decided based on the choices we make today how we live our lives, how we treat others, and how we worship Allah. Jannah is the ultimate reward for those who follow Allah's guidance, and Jahannam is the ultimate punishment for those who reject it. We should strive for Jannah with all our heart, repenting for our sins and seeking Allah's mercy.

Closing Du'a (Prayer)

May Allah make us among those who enter Jannah without reckoning, who are blessed with His eternal mercy, and who are granted the privilege of seeing His beautiful face. Ameen.

May Allah protect us from the torment of Jahannam and keep us on the straight path. Ameen.

Conclusion:

A Call to Rise from the Shadows

As we come to the end of this journey from the earliest signs of the Hour to the mighty trumpet that will shake the very core of creation we must pause and reflect: Where do we stand?

This book was never meant to be a mere collection of events. It was meant to be a mirror for you, for me, and for the entire Ummah. A mirror that shows us how far we have drifted from the path of unity, justice, and submission to Allah. A reminder that the Day of Judgment is not a distant tale, but an inevitable truth that inches closer with every heartbeat.

From Shadows to the Throne is not just a title. It is the journey of every soul from the darkness of heedlessness, sin, and disunity to the light of awakening, repentance, and standing before the Throne of Allah with a heart that is sound.

To the youth: you are the torchbearers of this Ummah. You are not too young to stand for truth. You are not too small to challenge falsehood. You are not too weak to unite hearts. History has always been written by the brave and it is time for you to rise and write yours.

To every Muslim: Let this be the moment where we tear down the walls of sectarianism, hatred, and ignorance. Let us stop dividing what Allah has commanded to be one. Sunni or Shia, Arab or non-Arab these are identities of this world. On the Day of Judgment, the only label that will matter is “Mu’min” a true believer.

As you close this book, don’t leave it behind as just another read. Carry it with you in your actions, your prayers, your intentions, and your mission. Prepare not just for the end, but for the eternal beginning that comes after it.

And remember, the Throne of Allah awaits not just as a symbol of judgment, but as a symbol of hope for those who stayed firm in the shadows.

Let us be among them. Ameen.

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